

Andre Pachico at his computer making memorable music and videos for his upcoming EP release.



Young, self-taught artiste to release EP

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Eighteen-year-old Andre Pachico felt pressured as he pursued geography at the University of the West Indies, while his innate passion for art suffered in silence... until now.

The Union Hall, San Fernando teen also coined a name for his brand, Tidefall, will release an eight-song recording on EP on January 25 that he produced in his bedroom studio.

Tidefall, as he explained, arose out of the fascination for nature, notably the surging tides and huge waterfalls.

He is a first-year pupil pursuing a double major in Film and Geography at the St Augustine campus.

Every aspect of Pachico relates to the arts as he is also self-taught in graphic design, the results formidable on his first song, Pretty Girl.

Pachico taps into most contemporary genres: alternative, synthwave, pop, and indie. Pachico's ultimate goal is to pursue acting and directing.

"Film interests me. I always had an interest in films and music. I enjoy that the most. In my first year at UWI, geography felt like a task. Not all technical aspects I liked. I like more of the practical than theory in Gography. But in film, I like everything...I managed well with both. I didn't do badly in my exams."

Pachico's professionally recorded songs and videos that accompanied them are nothing short of his mentor to music, Canadian singer-songwriter and record producer, The Weeknd.

Pachico said: "All of what I do is self-taught. I used programmes on my computer. If it was up to me I would focus on film alone, but my parents are against non-conventional

stuff.

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He continued: "Trinidad has a lot of talent, but when it comes down to big-budget and to monetise the industry, people would rather spend money on blockbuster movies made in Hollywood."

Pachico's work will be launched on most social media platforms including Apple Music, Spotify, iTunes, and his Tidefall YouTube channel.

He said he plans to produce a full album, but he first wants to develop a style that is more synonymous with who he is.

He also does not want to be limit himself to one genre of music.